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SUBJECT: SCHMIDT'S REACTION TO TINDEMANS' REPORT

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GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN BOELLING ISSUED ON BEHALF OF  
CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT  
ON THE TINDEMANS .REPORT FOLLOWING A MEETING OF THE  
CABINET ON JANUARY 14 (UNOFFICIAL EMBASSY TRANSLATION):

QUOTE WE WILL CONTINUE OUR DELIBERATIONS ON THE REPORT  
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WITH THE GOAL OF MAKING A CONSTRUCTIVE GERMAN CONTRI-

BUTION TO THE REALIZATION OF THE EUROPEAN UNION. IN  
THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL MEETING IN LUXEMBOURG IN MARCH THE  
HEADS OF GOVERNMENT OF ALL NINE MEMBER COUNTRIES OF THE  
EC WILL, I HOPE, MAKE THE FIRST DECISIONS TO SET INTO  
MOTION A PROCESS THAT IS TO LEAD TO THE GOAL OF THE  
EUROPEAN UNION. I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS PUBLICLY OUR  
GRATITUDE AND RECOGNITION TO MR. TINDEMANS FOR THE  
WORK HE DID. IN THE CABINET WE AGREED THAT HE HAS  
FULFILLED HIS MISSION AND DRAFTED A CONSTRUCTIVE CONCEPT  
FOR THE NEXT PHASE OF EUROPEAN UNIFICATION. THE FEDERAL  
GOVERNMENT CAN IDENTIFY ITSELF WITH THE BASIC LINES OF  
THIS CONCEPT. WHAT MATTERS IS THE PRAGMATIC EXTENSION  
OF POLICY OF THE NINE MEMBER COUNTRIES TO ALL FIELDS  
THAT ARE ESSENTIAL FOR THE ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL  
EXISTENCE OF OUR COUNTRIES. THIS COMMON POLICY IS TO  
STRENGTHEN EUROPE'S INTERNATIONAL POSITION, FACILITATE  
THE FORMATION OF A COMMON EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AREA AND  
PROVIDE MORE SECURITY FOR THE PEOPLE IN EUROPE.  
THE COLLECTIVE AUTHORITY OF THE EUROPEAN HEADS OF GOVERN-  
MENT IN THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL MUST MAKE THIS COMMON  
POLICY PREVAIL. THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WILL CAREFULLY  
EXAMINE MR. TINDEMANS' INDIVIDUAL PROPOSALS. IT WILL  
DO THAT IN THAT POSITIVE SPIRIT WHICH HAS ALWAYS  
DETERMINED THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S ENGAGEMENT FOR A  
UNITED EUROPE.- UNQUOTE .  
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